



Human Resources

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REQ. # 05-229

**NOTICE OF JOB OPENING
ST. LUCIE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER**

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This position must be posted for at least five (5) working days from **09-27-2005** TO **10-01-2005**,
but will remain open until filled.

DEPARTMENT/DIVISION
ENVIRONMENTAL LANDS

POSITION AVAILABLE
SCIENTIFIC TECHNICIAN

OF OPENINGS
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STARTING SALARY
\$13.38 / hour

COMMENTS
Newly approved position available October 1, 2005.

VETERANS PREFERENCE
It is the policy of St. Lucie County to give preference to eligible veterans and spouses of veterans in appointment and retention in county employment positions in accordance with Chapter 295, Florida Statutes, and Chapter 22VP-1, Florida Administrative Code. Copies of Chapter 295 and Chapter 22VP-1 are available for review in the Human Resources Department.

JOB CODE 629
PAY GRADE 15
SALARY : \$13.38 - \$20.59
SCIENTIFIC TECHNICIAN

MAJOR FUNCTION: This is a multi-disciplined experienced and skilled position, which involves the performance of a variety of natural resource stewardship activities, environmental data collection, and land maintenance activities. These activities include prescribed burning, exotic plant control, fencing, posting, habitat restoration. The position will require some heavy manual labor.

KNOWLEDGE, ABILITIES AND SKILLS NEEDED TO PERFORM THE ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS OF THE POSITION:

Knowledge: Basic biological or natural resources management principles.

Abilities: To perform as a member of a highly coordinated prescribed burn crew; to work effectively with other staff, supervisors, other County staff, external government agencies and contractors;

Skills: Use of modern computer hardware and software in the management of data; reading maps and aerials; use of light tools for constructing fences, foot bridges, trail signs, etc.

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTION: Participates as crewmember in chemical treatment of exotic plants using hand units. Serves as member of a prescribed burning crew. Assists in conducting field inspections and other land maintenance activities such as construction, repair or replacement of fences and gates. Prepares and presents work products in the form of maps, charts, graphs, computer printouts, or written reports. Assists with the resource inventory, restoration, and revegetation on assigned management areas. Works with inmates in chemical treatment of exotic plants. Provides assistance in the development of public use programs. Performs other general tasks under the direction a supervisor.

ESSENTIAL PHYSICAL SKILLS: Use of both arms and legs. Good vision and hearing with or without correction. Use of forestry tools and equipment. Frequent walking and standing. Frequent light lifting and carrying (30 pounds or less), reaching above shoulders, kneeling, bending and squatting. Ability to operate a County automobile.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITION REQUIREMENTS: Extended work in the field under adverse weather conditions. May be exposed to extreme heat, smoke, and physical exertion as a member of a prescribed burn team.

WORK HAZARDS: Work around all types of machinery and motorized equipment. Exposure to chemicals, smoke and fire. Inherent risk of injury while participating in physical activity.

SAFETY EQUIPMENT USED OR NEEDED: Safety glasses, protective clothing required where chemical/pesticides are used and items of protection commonly associated with the work hazards as listed above.

EDUCATION: High School diploma, A.S. Degree in biology or natural resources management desirable.

EXPERIENCE: A minimum of two years experience in biology or natural resource management with knowledge regarding herbicide application or prescribed burning preferred. A comparable amount of training and experience may be substituted for the minimum qualifications.

LICENSE, CERTIFICATION, OR REGISTRATION: A valid Florida Driver's License and a good driving record are required.

Union	Non-Union ✓	Exempt	Non-Exempt ✓
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